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SU3:5: ZHIVKOV'S HEALTH

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1. WE HAVE OBTAINED SOME FURTHER BACKGROUND ON ZHIVKOV'S DECISION IN FEBRUARY TO CANCEL HIS TRIP TO SOUTH AMERICA PLANNED FOR MARCH AND APRIL. DEPT WILL RECALL THAT REASON GIVEN TO LATIN AMERICAN DIPLOMATS FOR THAT CANECLLATION WS "CONSIDERATIONS OF HEALTH" OF THE CHIEF OF STATE (REFTEL).
2. RECENTLY A BRAZILIAN ECONOMIC DELEGATION WAS IN SOFIA, AND AS OFTEN DURING SUCH EVENTS THERE WAS MORE OPPORTUNITY FOR CASUAL POLITICAL CONVERSATIONS. DURING ONE SUCH CONVERSATION BRAZILIAN AMBASSAFOR SIS MAGALHAES ASKED DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER MINCHEV WHY ZHIVKOV'S TRIP TO LATIN AMERICA HAD BEEN POSTPONED.
3. MINCHEV SAID ZHIVKOV'S DOCTORS HAD NOTED AN INCREASE IN HIS HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE AND HAD RECOMMENDED AGAINST ABRUPT CLIMATIC CHANGES AND STRAIN WHICH THE LATIN AMERICAN

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TRIP WOULD HAVE ENTAILED. THIS KIND OF DETAIL LENDS SOME PLAUSIBILITY TO THE ORIGINAL EXPLANATION, ALTHOUGH THE WOLE MATTER REMAINS IN THE AREA OF RATHER SPECULATIVE INFORMATION.
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